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MASTER PLAN OF CITIES AND TOWNS
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Master Plans of cities and towns across the country, in general, have not kept pace with the growth in the urban economy and of urban poor needs; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)&(b): The Master Plans of cities and towns in the country focus on the spatial planning framework based on projected growth of population and do not always identify resources for implementation of plan proposals. In the recent past, steps have been initiated to strengthen urban planning inter alia by focusing on inclusive planning catering to urban poor, economic planning, disaster management and achieving greater integration between land-use and transport through issue of advisories, formulation of urban development plan and implementation of guidelines, model building bye-laws, etc.